COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE)
COMMISSION OF THE APPLICATION OF THE)
FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF KENTUCKY) CASE NO. 96-523
UTILITIES COMPANY FROM NOVEMBER 1,)
1994, TO OCTOBER 31, 1996)

ORDER

Pursuant to a previous Order of this Commission a hearing in this matter shall commence on April 15, 1997. The Commission finds that, to ensure an orderly and productive hearing process, a procedural framework for this hearing should be established.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. A hearing in this matter shall convene on April 15, 1997 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky.
- 2. Opening statements at the scheduled hearing, if any, shall be presented in the following order: Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU"), Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers ("KIUC"), and Attorney General ("AG").
 - 3. Testimony shall be taken in the following order:
- a. KU shall present a panel of witnesses to address general questions about the operation of its fuel adjustment clause and questions concerning its responses to the Commission's Order of November 14, 1996. Cross-examination of these

witnesses concerning any written direct testimony which they have filed in this proceeding shall wait until these witnesses are recalled to authenticate and adopt that testimony.

b. KIUC shall present the testimony of Alan S. Taylor.

c. The AG shall present the testimony of David Brown Kinloch.

d. KU shall present the testimony of Robert M. Hewett, Paul M. Normand, and Gary L. Hawley. KU shall determine the order of the presentation of its witnesses.

4. Direct examination of witnesses who have submitted written direct testimony shall be limited to the authentication and adoption of that written testimony.

There will be no summarization of written testimony.

5. Any party may, within 20 days of the filing of the hearing transcript with the Commission, submit an initial written brief. Reply briefs shall be submitted no later than 15 days after the filing of initial brief.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of April, 1997.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director